

Athletics Return to the Cellar After Respite of Twenty-Four Hours

JOHNSON SCOFFS AT FATHER TIME AS HE KALSOMINES RIVALS

Washington Veteran in Fifteenth Year Hangs Up Record of Three Straight Shutouts—Athletics in Cellar Again and Phils Tremble on Brink

THESE days of rookie hurlers who daily break into print with prodigious deeds of valor on the mound, the average fan is liable to forget the old timers.

Walter Johnson, dean of the American League pitching forces, labeled through any number of times, has been going along this year unostentatiously. The trumpher have not been baring, but have reams of precious paper been used up telling of what he has been doing.

Yet Walter Johnson is this year keeping the Senators from dropping into the cellar. The smokeball artist is not able to twist with as much frequency as of yore, but he still has one good game in his system. Yesterday the Kansan hurled his third straight shutout, which means that in the last twenty-seven innings he has pitched an enemy player has dug his cleats in the well-known and well-worn scoring platter.

This is a feat worthy of note, particularly in these days of big scores and copious hits. Johnson had a sore arm at the start of the season and much conjecture was indulged in by the experts. He was figured as about ready for the ash heap. Others said that his comeback would mean the pennant for Washington.

After a slow start Johnson has been hurling better than any member of the Senatorial leaving staff and ranks with the best in the league. When his brothers on the Washington staff fell down Walter came to the rescue.

His shutout yesterday, in which he allowed seven scattered hits and an absence in the most popular place, was his nineteenth in his ninety-two career. He has pitched in his major league career. He should easily count three more before the season is over, which will bring his mark to 100, a record that will be difficult to surpass.

Johnson started his major league career with the Senators in 1907, hence this is his fifteenth year. Over the years Johnson has a record of 317 victories and 207 defeats. His best year was 1913, when he engaged in forty-seven games, winning thirty-six and losing seven. His worst was 1917, when he won but eight out of eighteen games. Last year he captured nineteen and lost fourteen.

ALL of which means that age must be served at times even in these A years when youth is rushing to the fore on the mound with a vengeance. Johnson may be the daddy of the hurlers, but he can still teach the best of the youngsters the art of fooling the batters.

A's Return to Natural Haunts

OUR Athletics fell back into the cellar again, which isn't anything new. They had a brief respite some twenty-four hours and then returned to their bad habits. Hughie Day's batting average, which had risen to .300, fell to .250. The Athletics had every one except ball players and up and smote Bob Hasty and his pals for a victory.

Bob didn't hurl such awful bad ball, but he wasn't so good, either, and thereby hangs the tale of his reverse. He was nicked for eight hits and four runs, and had his support not been sieve-like at critical stages, might have emerged the victor.

On the other hand, Jack Karr, who besides pitching whiles away his time acting as a punch hitter, held the Athletics to six scattered hits and a pair of failures. He had lots in the pitch, which means he got the ball past the batter when he needed to. He fanned Jimmy Dykes, the Main Line citizen, in the fourth with the bases densely populated, no mean feat, even though Jimmy is in a woeful batting slump.

Chick Galloway, who is making the fans forget that Jack Barry ever cavorted around the short field, was the star again. The short, slim Southerner not only had two hits, one of which drove in a run, but he played a conspicuously good defensive game. His feat of picking up Karr's terrific smash over second while on the dead run and making a throw while off balance would make Barry and others blush.

BING MILLER did what a home-run hitter should not do. He failed not only to drive the ball out of the park, but he failed even to hit. He had an excellent chance in the fourth with one on and one out, but he hoisted a puny fly.

Cy Williams Enjoys New York

THE Phillies entertained the Giants at the Polo Grounds and surprised the prima donnas by winning one game of a double-header. Leo Meadows and Jess Winters divided the work in the first. Leo's battery mate Henline being banished during the frolic for sassing the umpire.

In the second contest Sheriff Singleton essayed to humble the Giants twice in the same afternoon, and they refused to stand for it, driving him off the mound and making it necessary for Winters to again exercise his right arm.

The even break did not help the Phils any in the percentage battle, for the Braves stopped their losing streak and are now tied with the locals for last place, an honor belonging to the Braves.

Cy Williams had a very busy afternoon. He had four hits in the first game, one a double, and in the second collected a home run and a single. The four-ply shot was his eleventh of the season, which makes him look like a star compared to Babe Ruth. Casey Stengel, who seems to have taken Ponca de Leon's advice, also treated the fans to the spectacle of losing a ball. Casey had four other hits during the afternoon. The Athletics, who were in the merry ruck for the American game. Youth Kolp held Tiger Spisaker and his tribe to four scattered hits, while Edwards, Morton, Uble and Keefe were being bombarded.

Kid Gleason's White Sox, who are being chirped about as the wonder team, moved up into the sixth place, third place, by landing the Tigers a reverse. Leverage, a rookie, held the Cobblers to four hits, an error by Eddie Collins giving them their only run. Oldham and Olson wore the victims.

The Braves, after watching the scorebook telling of the Phils' win in the first game, started on a rampage in the eighth inning against the Dodgers. In that frame they tied the score with a quartet of runs, and in the ninth scored a fifth, enough to win the battle.

FOR six seasons the Pirates kept their heavy artillery hidden, but in the sixth and seventh they brought it out and counted seven runs while the Cubs were making five. A home run by Bosh and one by Olson, and so was Osborne, who went to his relief. Hamilton was good all the way.

Baseball War; Bosh—Landis

BASEBALL war. Commissioner K. M. Landis, the court of last resort in the national pastime, laughs at the implication that such a thing might happen. Says the Judge: "I don't know what the forms of the argument between the two major league clubs ought to know that such a thing as a baseball war is utterly impossible."

War talk has appeared on the horizon as a result of the stand taken by the two leagues on the repeal of the barnstorming rule which raised such a rumpus last year with Ruth, Pieper and Menzel suspended and fined their share of the World Series money. The American is said to be completely in favor of lifting the rule out of the book. The National is said to be divided, although if it came to a showdown it is said the owners of the clubs in the National would vote in favor of the retention of the rule.

If all the American owners vote for the repeal and the National owners for its retention, the matter will be placed solely on the shoulders of Landis, who has the casting of the deciding vote.

It will be recalled that the Commissioner, after backing on the sentence that kept the three members of the Yankees out of baseball until May 20, because of their barnstorming, made statements that left little doubt that he himself was not in favor of the rule, because it deprived players from making extra money, oftentimes in excess of what their World Series earnings would be.

Ruth received an average of more than \$500 a game in the few games he appeared after the war. He falls which would mean several thousand dollars to the home-run king for less than a month of traveling in the stocks. Other players received in proportion to their drawing power.

Baseball is rampant in the small towns and municipalities and the fans there are hungry for a sight of the big ones in baseball. Therefore they are willing to pay almost anything to see their favorites in action. That means considerable money for the players.

LANDIS promised newspapermen that he will render a decision in seven days. It is understood that the owners in the two leagues will vote in the interim. Present indications point to a repeal of the law. Baseball players are for it and so are the fans. It is up to the moguls and Landis.

Scraps about Scrappers

Jameson got back on the right track in when the Dixie Theatre is opened up as a radio station with five tubes. The Dixie Theatre is now a radio station with five tubes. The Dixie Theatre is now a radio station with five tubes.

Stobbs High School Coach

Stobbs High School Coach, Stobbs, Pa., June 29.—William H. Stobbs, former W. and J. captain and varsity pitcher, has been named as coach of the Stobbs High School baseball team.

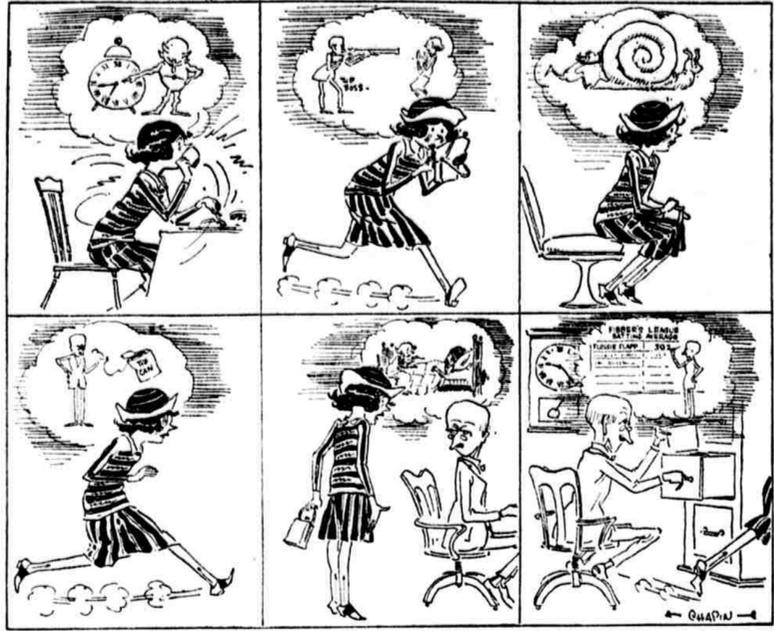
Leonard Off for Michigan City

New York, June 29.—Benny Leonard, world's lightweight champion, left New York yesterday for Michigan City, Ind., where he will start on July 4 against Mike Jacobs in a ten-round bout.

Tulpehocken Reds Want Games

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A STORY WITHOUT WORDS



"WILL CLIP GREB'S WINGS"—LOUGHRAN

Local Youngster Expects to Catch Pittsburgh Windmill in the Air

TRAINING DILIGENTLY

By LOUIS H. JAFFE

"I'll clip that bird's wings while he's in the air," puffed Tommy Loughran this morning as he came off the road after a five-mile grind in the vicinity of Point Breeze. His broad grin prominently covered his clean-cut and schoolboylike features as Thomas Patrick spoke of his confidence in his only winning from Harry Greb, but doing it decisively.

"Sure I think I can knock out Greb, and it will be proved out there in the ring at the Philadelphia park July 10," smiled the South Philadelphia nineteen-year-old pugilist prodigy.

Since Monday Loughran has been working diligently and will continue to do so up until the day previous to the match, with two or three-day lulls in between at different times.

HITS HARD

Among Tom's sparring partners are Jack McAuliffe, a middleweight from Chester; Young Jack O'Brien, of South Philadelphia; Ray Mitchell, of West Philadelphia; and Jimmy McLaughlin, recently returned from Texas, where he engaged in several matches.

McLaughlin has sparred with Loughran for the last three afternoons. "He sure is punching hard," said Jimmy. When I joined Tom's quartet in the gymnasium, he was bubbling over with confidence. He has had several local "wise cracks" advise him that Greb would slap him all around the ring and knock him out, and that Tom did not possess the experience to cope successfully with the Pittsburgh Windmill.

"There'll be so much wind in the atmosphere," smiled Loughran, "that the Greb mill will find itself flopping all over the canvas. They told me Mike McTigue was going to knock me out on my left ear, but it was Michael who came near caressing the floor."

Doesn't Fear Greb

Really there's no reason why I should fear Greb," continued Loughran. "I don't see anything that he can do that I can't do. I know quite well anytime Joe Smith sends me into the ring he feels perfectly satisfied that I will have at least 50 per cent of the victory of it. Of course, Joe thinks I will win from Greb, and that's all the more reason in the world why I am so sure that Tommie Loughran will stop him in the ring a summer next Monday night a week."

Smith is the 110-pound retired boxer who discovered Loughran as an amateur power, and has groomed Tommy carefully for more than two years.

HARMON KEEPS GOING

Defeats Ralph Greenleaf for Sixth Consecutive Time

Charlie Harmon, the New York State champion, is continuing his winning streak against Ralph Greenleaf, world's titleholder, at the National Billiard Academy. Last night, Harmon won the sixth consecutive bout.

Harmon next has to lead on the champion. He has pocketed 100 points against 422.

In the afternoon match yesterday, Greenleaf, regarding some of his old-time form, led the afternoon match and was leading, 62 to 27, but Harmon, by brilliant runs of 29 and 38, took the lead, 100 to 42.

There are letters in the Sports Department of the Evening Public Ledger for Joe Peck, Martin, waterweight boxer, and Willie Kavala, matchmaker.

Sailors and Police to Clash

The All-Philadelphia Police will play the U. S. of Rochester five, champions of the New York, at the former's field at Fifty-third and Walnut streets on Saturday.

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Spencer, Cleveland	.318	35	301
Witt, New York	.317	35	301
O'Neill, Cleveland	.316	35	301

CALIFORNIA BOXER WINS

Danny Edwards, of California, Defeats Kid Boots, of This City

Danny Edwards, the California colored bantamweight champion, made his first appearance in this city in the wind-up at the National A. C. last night.

Boots weighed 127 pounds, as against 121½ for Edwards, who also had every other advantage, but made little effort to mix it up with his opponent, who won in every round.

In the semi-windup Jack Herman, 140 pounds, defeated Slugger Murray, 136 pounds. The other results: Young Pennock, 134 pounds, gained the division over Pete Conway, 128 pounds, in a rough bout. Sailor Smiler knocked out Al Williams in the fifth round of the opening number.

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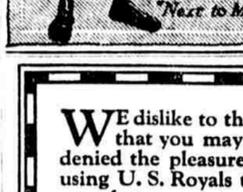
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"Matty" was accorded a demonstration from the moment his car came on the field until he had hurled out the first ball. Fully 2000 persons, including friends of the great pitcher who had come to see for themselves the fruits of the great fight against tuberculosis that Matty has waged and won, crowded the field. He looked well and gave no sign of having been through his recent illness.

After a procession, headed by a band, players on both teams that opened the session, local officials and fans had escorted Matty, his wife and Christy, Jr., piloting the car in which they rode, to a point behind the home plate. Matty left the machine, and to the just cheers of the crowd walked slowly but very firmly to the mound. On the mound he straightened to full height, raised the ball aloft, partly wound up and then rubbed his shoulder—he had been sent in "cold."

As he tossed the ball to the catcher an ovation was accorded him that continued until he had returned to his car and driven slowly to centerfield, where he watched the game.

VELODROME TONIGHT

St. Breeze Park Tonight, 8:00 P. M. "ALL NATIONS" Motor-Bike Race, 5 Starters; Columbus, Miss.; Milwaukee, Wis.; Anderson & Racine, Wis.; Lawrence, Spirit Match Race; Walter Waltham, Jr., vs. New York; Amateur and Class B. Prof. Events. Price 50c, 75c, \$1.10 Res. Stand.

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